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### Idaho Onion Acreage Intentions for 2011

Onion acreage planted in Idaho is expected to be 9,500 acres, up 3 percent from the 2010 acreage of 9,200 and up 6 percent from the 2009 acreage of 9,000, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. Producers in Malheur County, Oregon are expected to plant 11,500 acres, up 2 percent from last year. Total storage acreage in Washington is estimated to be 22,000 acres, unchanged from last year.

Nationally, storage planted area is 108,060 acres, up slightly from 2010. California acreage, which is primarily dehydrated or otherwise processed, is down slightly from last year. Despite rainy conditions in the San Joaquin Valley during December, good growing conditions are currently being reported. In Washington, irrigation supplies are reported as adequate. Total onion planted area for all seasons in 2011 is forecast at 158,860 acres, up 2 percent from last year. Spring onions are expected to be harvested from 30,300 acres in 2011, up 17 percent from 2010. Georgia and Texas combined production is forecast at 7.13 million cwt, 5 percent below last year. Summer non-storage onion planted area, at 17,900 acres, is down 6 percent from a year ago. Total summer onion area, at 125,960 acres, is down 1 percent from the previous year.

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